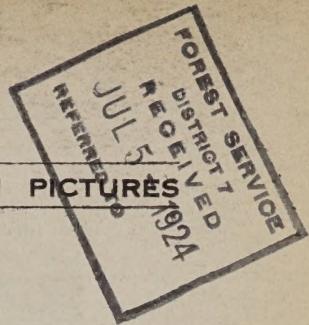


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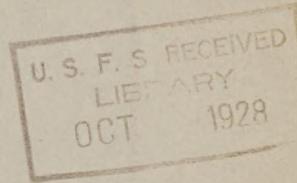
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**NEW FORESTS EXCEED THE OLD
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This spot in the Sierras of California was logged 20 years ago and has since escaped fire. The young growth left at the time of cutting and the seedlings started since are rapidly developing into another forest — chiefly sugar pine, western yellow pine, and white fir — which will exceed the original stand.

The condition of the young forest demonstrates the benefits of fire protection. As is shown from records kept by the forest experiment stations of the U. S. Forest Service on similar young forests, even a light ground fire running through this tract not only would destroy many of the young trees but would also slow up the growth rate of those remaining.

(Photograph by U. S. Forest Service)



